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Community Meeting Update

Over 50 people participated in Take Back the Boulevard's second community meeting. The energy and enthusiasm level was high. The yummy cupcakes from Auntie Em's undoubtedly contributed to the energy level. At each succeeding community meeting the ways in which community members would like Colorado Boulevard, our Main Street, to be improved becomes increasingly clear.

The meeting began with a 30 minutes presentation of the various changes that could be considered for Colorado Boulevard, and what the impact would be for each alternative. In some cases broad estimates of the possible cost was provided.

At the conclusion of the presentation, attendees went to work. They chose a specific section of Colorado Boulevard for their focus. The sections were from the 2 Freeway to Eagle Rock Boulevard, Eagle Rock Boulevard to Argus Drive, Argus Drive to Dahlia Drive and Dahlia Drive to Ave. 64. Large laminated overhead maps of each section covered the tables. Working with a group facilitator, each team discussed possible changes. When agreement was reached for any change, the change was written on the map in the location at which it would be implemented.

At the end of the "work session" attendees reassembled and chosen team members reported the findings for each team. As to be expected, the proposed changes for Colorado Boulevard were different for each section of the boulevard. However, slowing down Colorado Boulevard by removing a lane of traffic, improved crosswalks, and curb bulb outs to reduce the footage for crosswalks were often mentioned in the team reports. With the help of Civic Enterprise, the consultants supporting this effort, the data will be carefully examined. A more formal report reflecting the results of this meeting will be provided in the future.

Many thanks to the Eagle Rockers who participated in this effort. It is always impressive to see how many residents of this community are willing to give their time to make Eagle Rock the best community it can be.

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